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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

February 6, 1963

The Honorable Crawford Martin, Secretary of State, Austin, Texas.

Attn: Officer in Charge of Authentications

Dear Mr. Martin:

This letter will serve to introduce Mr. John M. Callahan, who has in hand affidavits of two officers of the S.S. Steel Surveyor. These affidavits are urgently needed in foreign legal proceedings. In order that they may be so used, it is our understanding that they must be notarized, the notary's certificate authenticated by the Clerk of the District Court of Galveston County, and the Clerk's certificate in turn authenticated by you.

The Department would appreciate any assistance you can provide Mr. Callahan in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Leonard C. Meeker

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Deputy Legal Adviser